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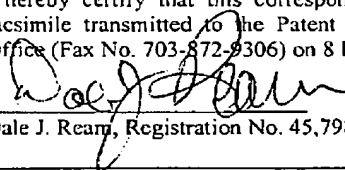
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Sir:

In response to the office action on the merits dated January 26, 2005, please
consider the remarks as set forth below. This response includes (1) a listing of the claims and
(2) remarks.